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HONORING OUR TRIBAL MEMBER VETERANS



Not Pictured Veterans: Bobby L. Bergman, Maegan R. Bravo, Richard D. Brown, Tanner C. Brown, David L. Hodges, Wallace R. Keays, Diana M. Lunsford, Joell V. Marini, Richard Moorehead III, Richard L. Moorehead Sr., Rachel A. Ochoa, Donald L. Payne Jr., Channon K. Payne, Henry S. Payne, Kenneth A. Payne, Lawrence A. Payne, Daniel S. Thompson, Cecil J. Wilber

HONORING OUR TRIBAL MEMBER VETERANS



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HOLIDAY HOURS

All Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Tribal Offices will be closed November 11, and November 25 & 26 in observance of Veterans Day and Thanksgiving.

Day-sri' Remembering our Tribal Member Veterans that have passed on:

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Shu' shaa nin-la to all those that have served

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LHA'-DUY-NUM-NII~-MA~S (SEPTEMBER) 2021 TRIBAL COUNCIL MOTIONS

2021 Lha'-duy-num-nii~-ma~s (September) K'wvt-nu'sr-'vsh (Motions)

Submitted by Marva Sii~xuutesna Jones. Recording Secretary



Lha'-duy-num-nii~-ma~s 9th



WAA-'AA-DVN NUY-NII~-'A~ (CONSENT AGENDA): Duu-day (None)

NVN-NVST-'AA-TA (NATURAL RESOURCES): TR'VM-DAN' DEE-NII-DVN (TRIBAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION OFFICE):

THP-2021-44: Tolowa Dee-ni' Land Acknowledgement-**Place Name Project**

M/S/C (O'Connell/Giovannetti) 5-0-1 Motion to approve THP-2021-44: Tolowa Dee-ni' Land Acknowledgement-Place Name Project collaboration with California State Parks for nine (9) identified areas for signage interpretation.

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

THP-2021-45 Action: Sue-meg (Sue-mee) Name **Change for Patrick's Point California State Park Letter** of Support

M/S/C (Sullivan/O'Connell) 5-0-1 Motion to approve THP -2021-45: Suemeg Name Change for Patrick's Point California State Park Letter of Support in care of this long needed action to heal our communities. 'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti,

O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

the Interior (DOI) Self-Governance Multi Year Funding Agreement Amendment #1 L7E-2021-07 Action: Capitol Purchase – Pizza Oven

ADM-2021-45 Action: 2021-25 Department of

Donations Approved Minutes for 08-26-21 Minutes for 09-09-21

M/S/C (Sullivan/O'Connell) 5-0-1 Motion to adopt consent agenda with no additions.

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

NVN-NVST-'AA-TA (NATURAL RESOURCES):

NR-2021-52 Action: Kleinschmidt Contract for Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery (RCFH) Steelhead Recirculation System

M/S/C (O'Connell/Steinruck) 5-0-1 Motion to approve NR -2021-52: Kleinschmidt Contract for Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery (RCFH) Steelhead Recirculation System Contract with Chairperson's signature on all associated documents.

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

NR-2021-54_Action: North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) and California State **Water Board Consultation Request Letter** M/S/C (O'Connell/Sullivan) 5-0-1 Motion to approve NR-2021-54: North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) and CA State Water Board Consultation Request Letter with Chairperson's signature. 'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

tion Agency (CAL-EPA) Consultation Request Letter M/S/C (Boardman/Steinruck) 5-0-1 Motion to approve NR-2021-55: California- Environmental Protection Agency (CAL-EPA) Consultation Request Letter with Chairperson's signature.

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

NR-2021-56 Action: California Governor's Office Tribal **Advisor Consultation Request Letter** M/S/C (Sullivan/O'Connell) 5-0-1 Motion to adopt NR-

2021-56: California Governor's Office Tribal Advisor Consultation Request Letter with Chairperson's signa-

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

TR'VM-DAN' DEE-NII-DVN (TRIBAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION OFFICE):

THP-2021-46_Action: United States Forest Service (USFS) Regional Forest Closure Order Consultation Request Letter

M/S/C (Boardman/Giovannetti) 5-0-1 Motion to approve THP-2021-46: United States Forest Service (USFS) Regional Forest Closure Order Consultation Request Letter with Chairperson's signature.

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

MVN'-DVN (HOUSING):

HOU-2021-08 Action: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Mortgage Assistance for All Eligible Citizens M/S/C (Boardman/Sullivan) 5-0-1 Motion to approve **HOU-2021-08: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)** Mortgage Assistance Program as provided. 'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

HOU-2021-09 Action: 2022 Indian Housing Plan M/S/C (Sullivan/Steinruck) 5-0-1 Motion to adopt HOU-2021-09: 2022 Indian Housing Plan with the Chairperson's signature.

'Ay~: Sullivan, Boardman, Steinruck, Giovannetti, O'Connell; Duu: 0; Xwee-la: Thompson

NUU-DA'-YE'-DVN (COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICES):

CFS-2021-12_Action: Calendar Year (CY) 2022 California Office of Emergency Services (CAL-OES) Native American Child Abuse Treatment (NA) Program **Funding Waiver**

By Consensus to approve CFS-2021-12 Action: Calendar Year (CY) 2022 California Office of Emergency Services (CAL-OES) Native American Child Abuse Treatment (NA) Program Funding Waiver and develop and submit an application for NA2022 in the amount not to exceed \$156,869.

Lha'-duy-num-nii~-ma~s 23rd NR-2021-55 Action: California- Environmental Protec-

WAA-'AA-DVN NUY-NII~-'A~ (CONSENT AGENDA):

HR-2021-33 Action: Xaa-wan'-k'wvt Head Start (XHS) Family Liaison Job Description -New

HR-2021-34 Action: Language & Culture **Division Manager Job Description- New**

HR-2021-35 Action: Language Teacher I Job **Description - New**

FIS- 2021-07_Action: Tolowa Nee-dash Society **Reissue Donation Payment**



Fall Tribal Clean-up Sat. November 6th 9am - 3:30 pm

Xaa-wan'-k'wvt Village & Resort 12420 US Hwy 101 in Smith River

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation will be holding a fall clean-up event on Saturday, November 6th, 2021 The purpose of this event is to support pollution prevention, minimize environmental impacts and to provide informational and educational materials, as well as educate and support tribal citizens on proper disposal of residential waste. Please note location and COVID-19 details listed.

Clean-up Procedures:

Event entry will be through Lopez Street (HWY 101 South). Please follow traffic signs upon arrival.

- Tolowa Dee-ni' households in Del Norte and Curry Counties will receive one (1) ticket per household, each ticket provides for the disposal of one (1) truck or trailer load. Tickets should not be transferred or sold.
- To utilize the clean-up ticket you must be a Tribal Citizen and present your Cleanup Ticket and Tribal ID. All citizens are required to <u>sort and unload</u> their own vehicle, if unable you should bring an able bodied person with you.
- Gates will close promptly at 3:30
 pm, no loads will be accepted after this time. Please allow enough time to unload due to restricted and limited disposal areas.
- Current TDN COVID-19 precautions will be enforced

- 1) Citizens & staff must remain 6ft apart and/or wear a mask.
- 2) Citizens will be restricted to their vehicle and identified outside disposal areas as available.

The following items will be accepted (please note limits for tires and furniture):

- Metal Waste for example, empty appliances, electronics without screens, motors drained of all fluids, etc.
- Electronics with screens for example, televisions, computer monitors and tablets, etc.
- Propane Tanks tanks must be emptied prior to disposal.
- Batteries for example, alkaline, rechargeable, carbon-zinc, etc.
- Fluorescent light bulbs for example, tube lamps and CFL's (compact fluorescents).
- Oil, diesel, gas, crankcase oil, hydraulic oil, gear lubricant and transmission fluid all fluids must be labeled with contents and placed in a sealed container.
- Furniture non-recyclable furniture items include couches, tables, chairs, cushions, etc. <u>A limit of two (2) furniture items per</u> <u>load</u> will be accepted.
- Tires <u>a limit of four (4) tires per load</u> will be accepted.
- Recyclable Mattresses for example, twin, full, queen, king and California king. Water logged, moldy or contaminated, mattresses will not be accepted.
- Plant Material for example, brush, grass clippings, limbs, green waste, etc.

- No hazardous waste will be accepted - for example no paint, pesticide, antifreeze, asbestos, dead animals, needles, etc.
- No household refuse will be accepted - to support the purpose of this event we will not be accepting regular household garbage.

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Location of the Tribal Fall Clean-up:

Xaa-wan'-k'wvt Village & Resort 12420 US HWY 101 in Smith River



Event entry will be through Lopez Street (HWY 101 South). Please follow traffic signs upon arrival.

CITY OF CRESCENT CITY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY PROCLAMATION

The City of Crescent City passes "Indigenous Peoples' Day" Proclamation

The proclamation recognizes that Tolowa Dee-ni' People have occupied these lands since time immemorial.

Crescent City, CA: The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation ("Nation") accepted an invitation from the City of Crescent City (City) to join their meeting on Monday, October 4, 2021. At the meeting, the City's Council read and adopted a proclamation for Indigenous Peoples' Day. The day was first declared as Indigenous Peoples' Day in 2020, making this the second annual proclamation for this important holiday. The holiday which is always the second Monday in October, will fall on October 11th this year. Usually, the day known to most, as Columbus Day, will be referred to as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Crescent City, CA.

This action represents much more than a reading of a proclamation. It acknowledges the Tolowa Dee-ni' people, the first people of the area's longstanding history with archeology dating Applegate Valley in Oregon - in the Klamath Mountains and south back at least 12,000 years. Crescent City was built upon the to north from Wilson Creek, California through the Smith River in ancestral homelands of the Tolowa People, by its original name California and up through the Winchuck, Chetco, Pistol, Rogue, "Taa-'at-dvn" long before it was known as Crescent City. Jaytuk and Elk River to the Sixes River in southern Oregon. Steinruck, the Treasurer of the Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Tribal Council was present and spoke on the Nation's behalf at the public The Nation and the City recognize all Indigenous Peoples whom

The Nation's Taa-laa-waa-dvn (Ancestral Homelands) are located contributions.
along the Pacific Coastline in what today is comprised of portions Indigenous Peoples' Day shall be used to celebrate the thriving, of Del Norte County, California and Curry and Josephine Counties enriched culture and worldview that Indigenous Peoples bring to



meeting. Councilman Steinruck shared relevant cultural and have occupied these homelands since time immemorial. Together, historical facts with the community. Regarding the proclamation, the Nation and the City further want to promote closing the equity Councilman Steinruck said "Indigenous Peoples' Day is a start, a gap for Indigenous Peoples through policies and practices that great start to an act that was introduced nationwide 44 years ago. reflect the experiences of Indigenous People. Eric Wier, City We hold gratefulness in our hearts today because we are still here. Manager, wrote in an email, "The City very much values our We are still eating our foods, still praying in our language, still relationships with local tribal governments and we are committed holding ceremony on our lands. We are still alive, healing our to working on building strong and lasting relationships." The City hearts for a better tomorrow. We acknowledge this good faith further works to accomplish this by ensuring greater access, opportunities, and honoring local Indigenous history and contributions.

in Oregon. Defined more by natural features than current political the community. The Nation and the City encouraged other local boundaries, these lands stretch west to east from islands in the businesses, organizations, and public institutions to recognize Pacific Ocean to watersheds, ridgelines and valleys – including the Indigenous Peoples' Day on October 11, 2021.

TR'VM-DAN' DEE-NII-DVN (TRIBAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION OFFICE)

Day-la 'vmlth-ts'it? (What do you know?)

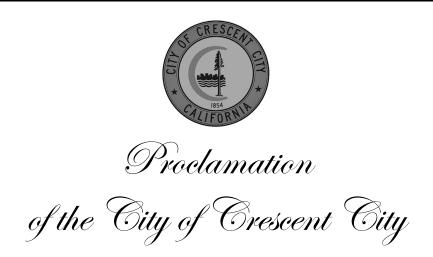
The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation in partnership with Cal Trans and Pacific Legacy will be conducting an ethnographic study prior to the construction of Last Chance Grade, to assess potential impacts to cultural resources.

The Tribal Historic Preservation Office is seeking tribal citizens with historical knowledge and information, regarding the landscape from Da-ghestlh-ts'a' (Wilson Creek) to Shaa-xu'-me' (Mill creek).

Tribal citizens will be compensated for participation in interviews.

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INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY PROCLAMATION



immemorial; and

built upon the ancestral homelands and villages of the Tolowa eliminate People, who called this townsite "Taa-'at-dvn" long before it understanding any good relations among indigenous peoples was Crescent City, and without whom the building of the city and all other segments of society"; and would not be possible; and

Peoples' knowledge, labor, spirituality, technology, science, and philosophy, arts and the deep cultural contribution that substantially shaped the character of Crescent City; and

oppose the systematic racism towards Indigenous Peoples in the United States, which perpetuates high rates of poverty BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that Indigenous Peoples' and income inequality, exacerbates disproportionate health. Day shall be used to reflect upon the ongoing struggles of education, and social stability; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crescent City promotes the closing of the equity gap for Indigenous Peoples through policies and BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the City of Crescent practices that reflect the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, ensuring greater access and opportunity, and honoring our institutions to recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day on nation's Indigenous history and contributions; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the United Nations sponsored International Conference on Discrimination against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and

WHEREAS, the United States endorsed the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (the "Declaration") on December 16, 2010 and the Declaration recognizes that "indigenous peoples have suffered from historic injustices as a result of, inter alia, their colonization and dispossession of their lands, territories and resources"; and

WHEREAS, Article 15 of the Declaration recognizes the right WHEREAS, the City of Crescent City recognizes that the of indigenous peoples "to the dignity and diversity of their Indigenous People of the lands that would later become cultures, traditions, histories and aspirations which shall be known as the Americas have occupied these lands since time appropriately reflected in education and public information" and places an obligation on States to "take effective measures, in consultation and cooperation with the WHEREAS, the City recognizes the fact that Crescent City is indigenous peoples concerned, to combat prejudice and discrimination and promote to

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City WHEREAS, the City recognizes the value of many Council of the City of Crescent City shall recognize contributions made to our community through Indigenous Indigenous Peoples' Day on the second Monday in October;

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the City of Crescent City shall continue its efforts to promote the prosperity and WHEREAS, the City of Crescent City has a responsibility to well-being of the Crescent City Indigenous community; and

> Indigenous People on this land, and to celebrate the thriving culture and value that Indigenous Peoples add to our city; and

> City encouraged other businesses, organizations, and public Monday, October 11, 2021.

Netlh-'ii~-ne Stewards' Inaugural Summer

The Nvn-nvst-'aa~-ta Department is proud to have completed the very first training program of the Netlh-'ii~-ne Stewards, a pilot program designed to train tribal citizens in traditional stewardship and natural resources management techniques. This

summer, from June to August, Francisco Lopez, Mason Lehr, and Victor Meza-Lopez completed 275 hours of training in all department programs, elk surveys, elk and fish processing, Tribal Intertidal Digital Ecological Surveys, marine monitoring, water quality monitoring, boater safety, lhvmsr-mvn (smelt net) making, wilderness first-aid and CPR, marine, freshwater and plant species ID, Tolowa Dee-ni' wee-ya' classes, MPA watch surveys and much more.



Conducting la'-na (sea star) surveys at Taa-ghii~-a~ (Pt. St. George).



Tour of coastal and inland areas of Tolowa Dee-ni' ancestral territory to characterize the habitat and available



During a perch population assessment, the Ihvmsr (smelt) ran! Netlh-'ii~-ne were able to dip for Ihvmsr for the very first time under the tutelage of Jaytuk Steinruck.



Fisheries Division taught an in-river snorkel training on fish identification.



Floating down the Smith River with Guylish and Jaytuk getting some cultural knowledge on villages and other sites along the river.



Finishing up their lhvmsr-mvn (smelt nets).

Netlh-'ii~-ne do a lot because they are responsible for a lot. We are also part of a statewide network of similar programs, called the Tribal Marine Stewards Network, and we'll be able to connect with other partner Tribes doing similar work and learn from one another.

Next summer these three will return to put what they learned to work and begin taking care of their ancestral

territory. We cannot express just how excited and proud we are of this group - Good job guys!!

Shu' shaa nin-la to all Division Managers and staff, Jaytuk Steinruck, Pyuwa Bommelyn, Guylish Bommelyn, Tara Dettmar and NOLS Wilderness Medicine trainers for all your help in making this program a success.

YE'SR SHVM (AIR GOOD)

Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Conducts Air Quality Monitoring in Smith River

Accurate results of year-round air quality information now available

The North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District (NCUAQMD) and Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation (Nation) have partnered to install two Purple Air (PA) sensors in Smith River, CA. The sensors are small PM2.5 devices that provide state, and federal air quality regulations. year-round air quality information. The sensors were installed at the Nation's, Sri'-srwvlh (Gilbert Creek Public Works Division), and Xaa-wan'-k'wvt Early Learning Program.



The North Coast Air Quality Management reporting daily air District (NCUAQMD) is a regional environmen-quality. It tells you tal governing agency that is in a special district how clean or polluted of the State of California. Their jurisdiction is your air is, and what Humboldt, Del Norte, and Trinity counties in associated health ef-Northern California. The NCUAQMD's primary fects might be a conresponsibility is controlling air pollution from cern for you. The stationary sources. They are one of thirty-five sensor data is translocal air districts in California that enforces local, mitted to a public

Tessa Lafazio, the Nation's Emergency Services Coordinator, said "we are really excited to be helping monitor air quality, this information is really important for residents of Smith River". Before installation, the only other monitoring stations were in Brookings, Oregon (Chit) and Crescent City, California (Taa-'at-dvn). Smith River (Kaa-nvsh) never got a clear representation of the air quality like they do now. The data recorded is live and can be viewed in real time, all year long.

The sensors also assist in determining areas impacted by wildfire smoke. This is important as we are near areas where wildfires are at highrisk. Air pollution of any kind can harm an individual's health and the environment. The Nation wishes to protect the air we all breathe.

The Air Quality Index (AQI) is an index for

website, fire.airnow.gov, that



displays refined sensor data, in addition to locations of temporary monitors, permanent fixed monitors, and fires. In these last few years the fire.airnow.gov has come a long way. Before the data collected from these sensors wasn't as easily assessable to the public. Now public can view their air quality data with one click. The https:// www.purpleair.com website is also available, however, only provides a rough AQI and does not include monitor and fire locations.

The information provided by the sensors will be invaluable to the Nation and the North Coast during smoke events and other factors that impact air quality. Like NCUAQMD, the Nation is committed to achieving and maintaining healthy air qualities throughout our community.

Svn' Wa'sr-'vsh-t'i (Meat Giveaway)

On October 11, 2021, the Natural Resources Department facilitated a third successful Svn' Wa'sr-'vsh-t'i (Meat Giveaway).

Each bag included a variety of chis-chu svn' (elk meat). In addition to chis-chu, elders received locally raised hay-k'vs svn' (pork meat) and mush-mush svn' (cow meat).

The Natural Resources Department works to increase access to high quality traditional foods for tribal citizens. Tribal staff and community members, under the guidance of the Natural Resources Habitat & Wildlife Program, salvage and process elk throughout the year from a variety of opportunistic sources.

We hope that these packages provided some relief. We are extremely grateful to the fish and wildlife sustainably sacrificed to provide this package. Shu' shaa-nin-la chis-chu, lhuk, mushmush, hay-k'vs hii-chu, cha' xwee-xu'-nishle' (thank you elk, fish, cow and pig, you shall live again).

Shu' shaa-nin-la to all community volunteers & staff who helped make this event possible!

2021 Total Amount of Bags Distributed

Month	Elder Bags	Regular Household Bags
February	99	N/A
May	93	101
October	97	113
Total	289	214

Total bags 503



NVN-NVST-'AA-TA (NATURAL RESOURCES)

Tolowa Dee-ni Nation Hosts an Air Purifier and PPE Giveaway

The Drive Through Event Served Tribal Member Elders in Del Norte and Curry County

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation was honored to host a drive through giveaway. The giveaway for Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation tribal member elders was aimed to provide safety precautions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. There were over one hundred tribal member elders, ages 55+ who were served.

The supplies were purchased using Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID-19 grant funds. While the filters are a countermeasure of COVID-19, they have a side benefit of being excellent smoke filters as well. The filters trap both virus particles and smoke particles which is helpful during times where air quality is at risk.

The air purifier and pre-installed air filter can run up to three thousand hours or about four months before the recommended filter change.



Additional filters for the air purifiers were also give out to Tribal Member Elders. We recommend following the instructions on how to change the air filter for best results.

In addition to the air purifiers, elders also received a food box filled with dry goods donated by the local food bank. The bag of personal protective equipment (PPE) included N95 masks, cloth masks, disposable masks,

surface cleaner wipes and hand sanitizer.

The giveaway happened on September 15th at the K'vshchu Administration building in two parts throughout the day. The morning shift was the busiest with over sixtynine elders served. Maintenance worker, Noah Ferrer, was on site to help load vehi-



cles. Elders did not leave their vehicles and were served quickly and safely following CDC guidelines. When asked how he liked working the event Noah replied, "I really enjoy seeing and serving our elders".

The second shift of the giveaway served over forty tribal elders. It was important to the Nation to accommodate work schedules by providing the two time slots. Many of the Nation's tribal elders are still working and were not able to pick up during the day. Tessa LaFazio, the Nation's Emergency Services Manager said "This was a positive event with lots of interest from our tribal elders. These air purifiers will help during the pandemic and future fire seasons."

The Nation was happy to provide the air purifiers and safety equipment to their elders.

Shu' shaa nin-la to all the Nation's staff that made this event possible.







EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment opportunities are available at Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation and Lucky 7 Casino.

Please call or go online for more information.

To download a Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation employment application: www.tolowa-nsn.gov/employment/



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Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Reinitiates Adult Salmon Monitoring in the Smith River

The Lhuk Adult Enumeration project will count adult Chinook and steelhead returning to the Smith River annually

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation (Nation) Fisheries Division recently kicked off efforts to conduct annual population monitoring of adult Chinook Salmon and steelhead returning to the Smith River (Xaa-wvn'-taa-ghii~-li~). The Nation has secured funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to purchase sonar monitoring equipment capable of producing near video quality images of underwater objects for use in its Lhuk Adult Enumeration Project. Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar (A.R.I.S.; sonar) is similar to the equipment used from 2010-2015 when adult salmon counts were last conducted in the watershed under a Del Norte County project with grant funding from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW).

The Nation reinitiates this monitoring



project with intentions to continue annual adult salmon counts in perpetuity, providing critical population data for the Smith River that will be used by the

Fisheries Division and other agencies to facilitate more effective stewardship of the watershed. The Nation purchased two A.R.I.S. units with a grant from the BIA Fish Hatchery Maintenance Program. Sonar units are positioned under the water's surface, facing each other, just offshore of the river's banks. Some water bodies only require one unit to fully capture images of all fish—due to its size, two sonar units are required to capture the full width of the Smith River channel.

Using this technology to count returning salmon and steelhead has several advantages over traditional monitoring techniques. Alternate methods such as spawner surveys, where surveyors walk



tributaries and count the number of nests (called "redds"), and creel sampling, where anglers are interviewed about their catch and fishing time, are limited in their reliability. The sonars use sound to generate sonar images and so are able to operate at night, in dirty water and even during high river flows when visibility is limited. The sonars capture these images 24 hours per day, 7 days per week throughout the fish migration season, resulting in imagery of nearly all individuals migrating upstream. Monitoring was planned to begin October 1st and continue through mid-April. However, sufficient rainfall occurred in mid-September of this year to jumpstart the adult migration and necessitate early deployment of units, and over a thousand fish have already been observed passing through the project site.

The project site is located at the Del Norte County Boat Ramp off of Fred Haight Drive in Smith River. The location is ideal as it is downstream of nearly all spawning tributaries and the majority of fish entering the Smith River will have to pass the sonar site. The number of fish entering Rowdy Creek, the only sizeable spawning tributary located downstream of the site, is accounted for using Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery trapping data, recorded as part of hatchery broodstock collection. The information collected at the hatchery becomes part of the dataset for the project.

The sonar data is recorded into video files. Fisheries Division staff analyze the video files to obtain daily counts of adults passing through the project site. These daily counts are combined across

the migration season to estimate total run size. The information gathered during this monitoring project will be used to develop annual escapement estimates, which will in turn allow resource managers to track long-term trends in abundance and better understand how our valued lhuk respond to recovery actions, ocean conditions, and climate change. This information is crucial to gauging the relative health of the river's fisheries and evaluating the efficacy of current harvest regulations. This Tribal project was initiated and funded by the Nation through grants, however would not be possible without the considerable community and stakeholder support provided by the Del Norte County Resource Conservation District, Board of Supervisors, and both local and regional environmental and fisheries advocacy groups. Additionally, the Nation would like to thank CDFW and Alexandre Dairy for allowing the Nation's staff property access for the placement and repositioning of sonar units throughout the monitoring season, and CDFW specifically for allowing use of the Fred Haight Boat Ramp infrastructure and identifying backup sonar units to loan the Nation in the event that current equipment should require servicing in-season.

More information on the project will be released as it comes available. The lead on the project is the Nation's Fisheries Division Manager, Jennifer Jacobs. She shared "after years of effort to get this project off the ground, it's a huge relief to



see the
equipment out
there
collecting
data. It's a big
win for our
watershed,
which is too
often touted as
"too pristine"
to be
considered a
priority for
monitoring."



NUU-DA'-YE'-DVN (COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICES)

Are you interested in helping families increase their cultural knowledge?

Community & Family Services (CFS) is looking for six (6) cultural mentors and six (6) family mentors! These mentors will be contracted at a rate of \$50 per hour! CFS is flexible with each contractor and can work outside of traditional working hours to accommodate mentors.

Cultural Mentors will work with families and children to provide workshops designed to increase the cultural knowledge and skills of these tribal families. Cultural mentors will assist with language instruction and materials, knowledge of drum making, storytelling, regalia making and also gender specific workshops.

Family Mentors will work with families and children on home making skills, positive Indian

If interested, please complete the Survey Monkey registration:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TWR3RFX

Resumes may also be submitted to the CFS Department

Mail: 16299 US HWY 101 N Smith River, CA 95567

Email: monica.calvillo@tolowa.com

Questions: 707-487-3183



Our Substance Abuse Program is surviving COVID-19 and have consistently met the needs of our client's despite the challenges. We are pleased and proud to be part of the Tolowa Dee ni' Nation CFS department.

The counselors Michael Harling and Kathleen Daignault have please refer him or her to us. worked with clients through a few crisis. During this period, we have had no relapses and very few lapses. We have had two new referrals from the courts and one self-referral. We've assisted 29 clients this month. We have not lost any clients this month from the program. Our curriculum has expanded to reach a greater diversity of our community. Both Michael and Kathleen are continuing to further their knowledge though online training and

experience.

Our new facilitator, Kristina Murry, oversees our zoom and live groups three days a week. If you know of someone who would benefit from this program,

Community & Family Wellness Services - Substance Abuse Program

707-487-9255 xt1195 Michael Harling CACDC II

707-487-9255 xt1172 Kathleen Daignault RADT

Fatherhood is Sacred™ Motherhood is Sacred™

Location: Zoom **Day:** Monday's

Starting: November 1st, 2021 **Ending:** December 6th, 2021

Time: 6:15pm - 8:15pm

This 6 week program, created by NAFFA (Native American Fatherhood and Families Association), is a highly successful parenting curriculum that explores the five core principles to grow happy and safe families. Participants learn the importance of loving and caring for their families while gaining problem solving skills and realizing their true potential.

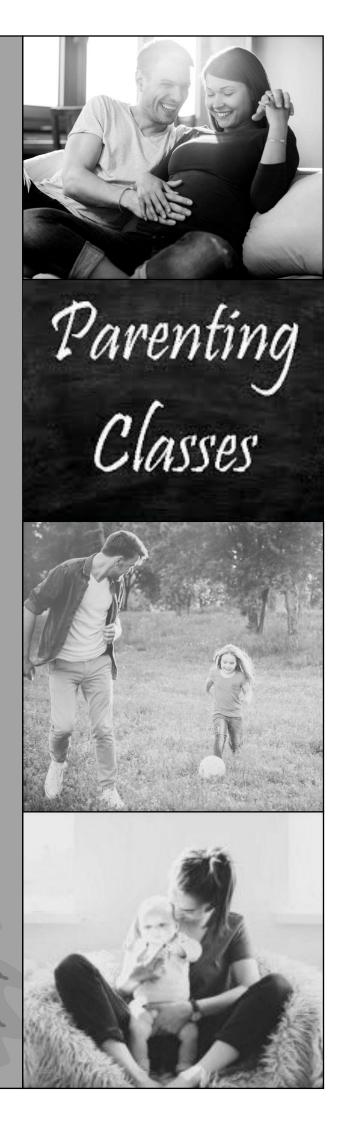
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Certificates of Completion are presented to participants upon meeting attendance and engagement standards.

Tribal TANF participants and TDN families must have children in the home and live within the service area.

For more information or to apply, please call (707) 487-9255 ext. 1131



Natural Resources

Natural Resources Staff and Tolowa Dunes Stewards cleanup Pacific Shores and Kellogg Beach for the California Coastal Cleanup Event

What is Coastal Cleanup Day?

California Coastal Cleanup is normally the third Saturday of September, but due to COVID-19 the event occurred all month long! The Cleanup brings awareness to our marine litter problem

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The event is part of the International Coastal Cleanup, organized by the Ocean Conservancy. California Coastal Cleanup Day is the largest volunteer event in the US and International

through a community event that allows direct

involvement in its solution.

Coastal Cleanup Day is the largest volunteer event on the planet!

TDN Natural Resources Staff, with funding support from the U.S. EPA, organized a successful cleanup. We would like to thank Tolowa Dunes Stewards and Volunteers as well as Recology and Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority for their participation.

We picked up 1 ton of trash!







XAA-WAN'-K'WVT HEADSTART

The Head Start is Accepting Applications

The Xaa-wan'-k'wvt Early Learning Program is back in-person and on-site!

We invite all children ages 2 years, 9 months to 5 years of age to our Head Start and Early Learning Center classrooms.

We are taking the necessary precautionary measures to ensure the safety of all students and staff and look forward to welcoming you back.

For questions about Head Start, low-cost daycare,

or to enroll your child, please call Nicol Aubrey, Education Coordinator, at 707-487-9255 x1502.

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12840 Mouth of Smith River Rd.
707-487-9255 ext.1502

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CH'EE-NVK-T'I (ANNOUNCEMENTS)



Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation 140 Rowdy Creek Road Smith River, CA 95567

Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Councilmember has resigned

Smith River, CA: On October 6, 2021, Leann Babcock-McCallum, who served on Tribal Council for five years, resigned for personal reasons. McCallum said that "[i]t was a pleasure working with [Council]. I am excited for what you guys are doing and moving forward. I wish you all the best."

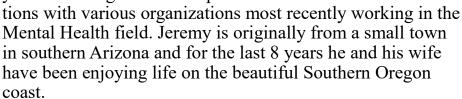
Councilor McCallum worked for the Nation for many years before she was elected to Council in 2016. During her two-term tenure on Council she served as both Tribal Council Secretary and Chairperson. The Nation's Council shared, "We thank Leann for her many years of service to the Nation both as an employee and Tribal Councilmember. We wish Leann the best in her future endeavors. Shu' shaa nin-la".

In accordance with Article VIII of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Council shall appoint a qualified Tribal Citizen to replace McCallum. Over the next few weeks, the Nation's Council will deliberate on the selection of the replacement for Councilor McCallum. The appointed individual will serve on Tribal Council and represent the Nation's citizenship until May 2022.

New Staff Jeremy Watson

Jeremy is excited to be joining the Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation team as a Data Technician in the Records Department.

Jeremy has spent the last 10 years in management and opera-



In his spare time he enjoys exploring the beautiful area we live in with his camera, and he always has a good book close at hand. In his role in Records, Jeremy is looking forward to collaborating with all the departments across Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation to create and manage a records system that is easy to use and provides quick access to data that will help us make decisions for the benefit of our citizens.



Attention Homeowners

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Have you experienced a financial hardship due to COVID?

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- Other Fees (insurance, property taxes, homeowners association fees)

Apply now to see if you are eligible

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If you have questions please contact Diana Bommelyn

Email: diana.bommelyn@tolowa.com

Phone: 707-487-9255

Applications that are approved by the 10th of the month are eligible for payments the following month.

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Fall Time Word Search

'ak-dii-ne red huckleberry

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Fall Time

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buck mountain san-chvn acorns

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Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation, Victim Services Division was awarded a grant aimed to serve Tribal elders and vulnerable adults in our community.

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation (Nation) has received a grant for the Tolowa Elder and Vulnerable Adult Victim Services project (TEVAS). This grant, from the Department of Justice's Office for Victims of Crime, will use this funding to establish a comprehensive victim services program for elders and vulnerable adults who have been, or are at risk of, abuse or exploitation.

The abuse and neglect of American Indian and Alaska Native elders occurs at an alarming frequency in our rural community. According to Dorothy Wait, the Nation's Director of Community and Family Wellness Services, "More than 79 percent of elder abuse cases go unreported in tribal communities". Tribal leaders across the country have identified three major challenges in addressing elder abuse and neglect issues on reservations. There is a need to increase training about elder abuse and neglect, a lack of codes addressing elder abuse issues and a lack of policies and procedures for tribal agencies handling elder abuse and neglect issues.

Wait, is excited for how this work will impact the Nation. "This is an opportunity to educate our community about Elder Abuse, educate our Elders on how to recognize if they are being abused, or have in the past, and reinforce the cultural practice of honoring our elders." In order to help with the planning process, the Nation has brought on local consultant, Jermaine Brubaker, to help with the project. Brubaker is a Del Norte local that has been working in community and systems analysis work for eight years in Del Norte County. As part of the grant, Brubaker will be reaching out to key stakeholders including those currently working with the elder and vulnerable adult population. She will be helping facilitate a survey of tribal citizen needs through the National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative.

Working with the National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative to gather this survey data will help the Nation in establishing a baseline for the prevalence of maltreatment of elders within our community, which is a vital step in developing an advocacy program. "By gathering this data, the Nation will be able to hone in on what community supports are needed to both address and prevent the maltreatment of elders, who are some of the tribe's most valuable resources, and should be honored and respected," states the Nation's Victim Services Manager, Ashley Taylor.

If you would like to know more about this project, or get involved please contact Ashley Taylor at 707-487-9255 Ext. 1134, Ashley.taylor@tolowa.com or Jermaine Brubaker at 707-832-9733 or jermaine.brubaker@gmail.com.

Happy Thanksgiving "Srii-nis Shaa~-yvtlh-'i~ Sri-lhxvn" (Happy Grateful Day)

ELDER NUTRITION CENTER - NOVEMBER MENU TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY MONDAY Chicken Pot Pie Chili Macaroni & Cheese Chicken Divan **Breakfast** 10 Cheese Ravioli Fish & Chips **Beef Stew** Chicken and Noodles Salisbury Steak 16 17

Split Pea Soup

Sack Lunch

****Lunch by delivery only until further notice in response to COVID-19 pandemic. ****

Beans with Bacon

Spaghetti

Tuna Loaf

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Suggested donations: Elders 55+, \$2 (some are free) Under 55, \$7

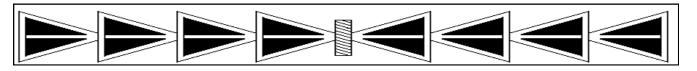
Tomato Soup w/ 1/2 Tuna

Sandwich

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Reserve Lunch @ 707-487-0215 press option 3



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Bean and Cheese

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Egg Salad Sandwich

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Thanksgiving Lunch

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HOLIDAY

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MONTHLY

November 17th - Dream Catchers

Participants will learn how to weave sinew to make their own dream catcher, decorated with feathers & beads.

December 15th - Earrings & Christmas Cards

Just in time for the holidays! Create a special gift of handcrafted earrings using shells & beads - or treat yourself!

Register Today!

Contact Samantha Evans at 707-487-9255 Fxt 1193

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8th Grade Graduate

Derrick Michael Hernandez

Derrick is extremely funny and very witty and love's to play video games online and watch Anime. His mom is Misty Ann Hernandez (Whipple) and has two sister's Elizabeth Ann Hernandez, and Tara Nicole Hernandez. His grandma is Dorothy Whipple and grandfather is Papa Rodriguez and the late Ricky Whipple. His ancestor and great grandfather was



James Wesley Whipple. He is graduating from the 8th grade and finished his middle school time attending online. Derrick Graduated 8th grade May 2021 and will be graduating High school in 2026. Next year Derrick will be attending Davis High which is also the same high school both of his sister's attend/attended. Derrick is still unsure as to what he would like to do when he's finished with school, but whatever he chooses his Mom knows he'll succeed.

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Education Committee: 5pm

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n-'a~ (Culture) Committee: 5pm

Enrollment Committee: (Closed Meeting) 1pm at K'vsh-chu Administration Office

Housing Committee: 5pm

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